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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 24TH, 1883.

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PRICE 82 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 23. FOOKSANG, British steamer, 990, H. W. HOOG, Shanghai 19th May, General, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. May 23. C. D. BENTON, American bark, 929, J. P. BREITMAN, New York 24th January, KEROSINO.—DORCAS LAPRAIK & Co. May 23. ATHOL, British steamer, 938, E. W. THOMSON, Singapor 17th May, General, BUN HIN & Co. May 23. YOSHINO MARU, Japanese str., 612, E. B. GALL, Kuching 17th May, Coal.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. May 23. MORNING STAR, British barkentine, 258, Jones, Fremantle 21st March, Sandalwood.—SIMS & Co. May 23. ALBATROSS, British str., 866, Goddard, STANWELL & CO. General.—DOUGLAS LARSEN & Co. May 23. MARIANNE, French bark, 469, C. BURGESS, Cardiff 17th Feb., Coal.—MARCHESA MARITIMA. May 23. PENTLAND, British str., 257, Gulland, Whangpoo 2nd May, General—CARTWRIGHT & Co. May 23. WOLF, German gunboat, Raven, Manila 19th May. May 23. TAMPA, Portuguese gunboat, from Macao. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. May 23. A. & W. G. DUTCH SHIP, 1,263, H. de Yonge, Penang, 15th December, Coal.—HORNSBY CO. May 23. YERASIM, British str., 791, Alfred SILLER, Seaport 17th May, Coal.—ODER. May 23. PONTELLA, British str., 2,251, W. DEBBAT, Bombay 5th May, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co. May 23. NARLES, British steamer, 1,473, G. WILLES, Cardiff and Singapore 17th May, Coal.—Geo. R. STEVENS & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE. MAY 23RD.

Maria, Ger. bark, for Chusan. Queen of England, Siamese ship for Pek. Achilles, British str., for Saigon. Bellona, German str., for Saigon. YOSHINO MARU, Japan str., for Kuching. Samar, American ship, for Coban. Poochi, Chinese str., for Kowloon. Salles, French str., for Haiphong. Electra, German str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

May 23. WOODCOCK, British str., for Chefoo. May 23. ANTON, German str., for Penang. May 23. GLENFIELD, British steamer, for Shanghai. May 23. FOXON, British str., for Amoy. May 23. ADVANCE, Siam bark, for Bangkok. May 23. FOOKSANG, British str., for Canton. May 23. CONSOLIDATION, British steamer, for Swatow. May 23. GUARDIAN, American ship, for San Francisco.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Fooching, str., from Shanghai.—9 Chinese. Per Atoll, str., from Singapore.—240 Chinese.

Per Morning Star, barkentine, from Freymusico.—Mr. and Mrs. Archer, Messrs. Lock and Sibley.

Per Robin, str., for Hongkong.—From London.—Mrs. J. C. Lader and Mr. B. F. Fawcett. From Suez.—Serge, D. Henriet, R. Fawcett. Private Phiney and Co. From Brindisi.

Per Nestor, str., from Singapore.—25 Chinese.

From Singapore.—Mrs. Walter, Messrs. J. Gilbert, R. N. A. W. R. N. T. Duncan, Kwang Eng and servant, and 20 Chinese. For Yokohama.—From London.—Mr. Hagart. For Shanghai.—From London.—Mrs. Anderson and Mr. W. W. W. For Bombay.—Mr. and Master Lallan and Mr. A. E. Kapadia. From Singapore.—Mr. T. H. Hamilton.

REPORTS.

THE British steamer BIRKING reports from Shanghai to Tungking had southerly wind and hazy; thence to Thibet about this foggy weather and moderate N.E. winds and fine weather to Port.

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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. [23]

MARRIAGE.
On the 12th April, at the parish church, Leyton, Essex, by the Rev. J. Lang, Vicar, assisted by the Rev. Joseph Clarke, the Rev. F. E. Sturt, Chaplain of Stamford, and the Rev. Mr. G. W. H. Bowes, son of William Bowes, of Leyton Park.

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The excitement among the hawkers to which we referred yesterday has now, we are informed, subsided, and the angry mutterings of the aggrieved are dying out as they find how little ground exists for their first outcry. It seems, according to what we ascertained from reliable sources yesterday, that only forty-three summonses for obstructions have been taken out against hawkers by the Police between the 17th April and the 19th May, which is not at all an extraordinary number, and most of these were directed against really bad cases, such as, for instance, as a vegetable hawker blocking up the thoroughfare with from eight to fourteen baskets of vegetables. Such dealers as those could, if they chose, afford to take a stall in the market or have a shop, and it is of course necessary that they should not be allowed to obstruct the traffic merely because they desire to evade payment of rent. With regard to the cause of the disturbance, it seems likely that it had its origin in a misapprehension. When the last new licences were issued, a fresh clause was inserted, providing that the licences were to move, and not take up stationary positions. This proviso the Police appear to have thought it their duty to enforce, for they requested a number of the hawkers to move on, and the latter interpreting the action to mean that they were not to be allowed to vend their wares, or in their anger pretending that they thought so, caused work, saying that they had paid for their licences but the Government would not let them earn a living. A further source of irritation arises out of a most unfounded rumour to the effect that over three hundred cunumises had been taken out by the Police and would shortly be heard. There is no doubt that the hawkers who were allowed to obstruct the streets everywhere without any notice or remonstrance during the Henningsen Administration resented the attempt to bring them into control all the more or account of the prescriptive right which they evidently deemed they had acquired of blocking up the pavements and preventing free access to the shops. It was, however, never intended by H. E. the Governor that these peripatetic dealers should be harshly or summarily dealt with; so far from that, indeed, we learn that Sir George Bowes gave instructions that the greatest forbearance and caution were to be used in carrying out the law, in order that no hardship should be entailed upon individuals or a class. Whoever was responsible for the misunderstanding and subsequent strike, Sir George Bowes was certainly quite unaware of it, and, we hear, was naturally much concerned when informed of the unexpected demonstration. Yesterday a proclamation was issued by the Registrar-General informing the hawkers that, except in the more frequented parts of Queen's Road, they would be allowed to traffic as usual until the end of June, when the licences would have to be renewed, and then they would be expected to conform to the law, but there was no intention to interfere with their calling. The pick keepers were also dealt with yesterday by the Registrar-General, by whom it was explained to them that, in carrying out the Sanitary Commissioner's recommendations, it was necessary to remove them as they were fouling an important stream which supplied other persons with water, and that they were located there without licences. They were offered land in Balcher's Bay on squatter's licences, and after some little demur un-animously and good-humouredly accepted the offer. The work imposed upon the Government in carrying out Mr. Granville's recommendations necessarily aroused some little opposition among the lower classes of Chinese, who entirely fail to see the importance or beauty of cleanliness, and are apt to consider their rights invaded if told that they cannot usurp half the causeway with their graves, foul a stream with their pig-rooms, or crowd fifty persons into a sleeping room constructed to accommodate ten.

Moreover they are strongly conservative and decided encroaching. The fact that the law has been in abeyance for five or six years constitutes in their mind a sufficient reason why it should never be enforced, and hence the evil of irresponsible rule like that of Sir John Foxe HENNESSY. The Chinese required to be ruled mildly but firmly; to permit a law to be broken for a few months and then to take sudden proceedings against a batch of offenders is certain to engender a feeling of hardship among them. We sincerely hope that the caution and forbearance enjoined by Sir George Bowes will be uniformly exercised by the Police in their difficult work of regulating the street traffic and controlling the itinerant dealers. Much credit is due to the industrious Chinese residents who co-operated cordially with the Government officials to bring about a proper understanding with the hawkers, who have now resumed their avocations, and at the same time recognised the sovereignty of the law.

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The delivery of the English mail was begun at 5.45 yesterday evening.

The German gunboat *Wolf*, Captain Raven, arrived here yesterday from Manila, which port she left on the 15th instant.

His Excellency Governor Da Rosa arrived here from Macao yesterday afternoon in a *Gazette*

